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SUBJ: AMBASSADOR SCALI'S MEETING WITH FONMIN RABASA: CHARTER
OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES

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1. EMBASSY FULLY AGREES WITH USUN VIEWS CONCERNING NEED FOR
ADOPTING FORTHCOMING POSITION TO MAXIMUM FEASIBLE EXTENT ON MATTER
OF SUCH IMPORTANCE TO MEXICAN PRESIDENT. IT BELIEVES, HOWEVER,
THAT PRESENTATION TO AMBASSADOR SCALI BY FONMIN RABASA DOES NOT
GIVE FULL RECOGNITION TO STEPS TAKEN BY USG IN ATTEMPT RESPOND
TO MEXICAN APPROACHES ON THIS SUBJECT.

2. AS INDICATED RIO DE JANEIRO 1735, REPORTING ON SECRETARY
ROGERS' CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN RABASA ON MAY 12, RABASA URGED
DURING THIS DISCUSSION THAT U.S. PLAY MORE ACTIVE ROLE IN FUTURE
DISCUSSIONS OF PROPOSED CHARTER. OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT US DEL
DURING JULY MEETING IN GENEVA DID PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN AN
ATTEMPT TO PREPARE A USEFUL AND BALANCED DRAFT OUTLINE.

3. SECRETARY ROGERS EXPLAINED TO RABASA PROBLEMS WE HAVE WITH
DOCUMENTS IMPOSING LEGAL DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS ON U.S. (SEE
PARAGRAPH 8 OF RIO DE JANEIRO 1735). PROBLEMS USG WOULD HAVE
WITH CERTAIN PROPOSALS IN CHARTER FROM STANDPOINT U.S. CONGRESS
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AND DISCUSSIONS IN OTHER FORUMS, ETC., PARTICULARLY IF CHARTER

IS IN FORM OF LEGALLY BINDING DOCUMENT, HAVE ALSO BEEN OUTLINED AT LENGTH BY AMBASSADOR AND DCM IN CONVERSATIONS HERE BASED ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM DEPARTMENT.

4. DESIRE FOR USG SUPPORT OF CHARTER RAISED BY GOM DURING RECENT VISITS TO MEXICO OF SECRETARY-DESIGNATE KISSINGER AND AMBASSADOR EBERLE. WE EXPECT THAT TOP LEVEL GOM OFFICIALS WILL CONTINUE RAISE THIS SUBJECT WITH AMERICAN OFFICIALS AT EVERY APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY IN HOPE OF OBTAINING USG SUPPORT WITHOUT MAKING THE COMPROMISES WHICH WE HAVE INDICATED TO BE NECESSARY IN ORDER ACHIEVE MORE BALANCED DOCUMENT.

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